## TOWN OF WEARE Felch Farm-Unit #5-Town Forest-REBID Merrill Road, Weare NH

## **TIMBER SALE NOTICE**

**SHOWING DATE:** January 10th at 2pm on site. Interested bidders must attend the showing.

**TIMBERSALE CONTACT:** Town Forester, Jeremy Turner can be reached at 481-1091. Meadowsend Consulting Co, PO Box 966, New London, NH, 03257. jturner@meadowsendco.com

**ACRES:** 50 +/-

**MEETING LOCATION:** Weare Town Transfer Station Gate, Merrill Road, Weare. 298 Merrill Rd, Weare, NH 03281

<u>Species</u>	<u>Product</u>	Sale Volume	
White Pine	Sawlogs	200.0	MBF
White Pine	Box	50.0	MBF
Red Pine	Sawlogs	1.0	MBF
Hemlock	Sawlogs	12.0	MBF
Red Oak	Sawlogs	0.6	MBF
White Birch	Sawlogs	0.0	
Black Birch	Sawlogs	0.3	MBF
Sugar Maple	Sawlogs	0.1	MBF
Soft Maple	Sawlogs	0.3	MBF
Ash	Sawlogs	1.2	MBF
Other Hardwood	Sawlogs	5.0	MBF
Total Sawlogs		270.5	MBF
   Hardwood	Pulp	45	Cds
Pine	Pulp	225	Cds
Hemlock	•	45	Cds
	Pulp		
Total Pulp		315	Cds
BioMass Chips		1350	Tns

Estimated volume and quality of the above timber report is not guaranteed. Bidders are responsible to determine volume and value at their own discretion.

PERIOD OF CONTRACT: February 15th, 2024 through December 31, 2024.

**BID DEPOSIT:** Bids <u>must</u> be accompanied by a deposit of \$1,000.00, representing the bid deposit of the sale in cashier's check, certified check, bank money order or bank draft.

PERFORMANCE/TAX BOND/CONSTRUTION BOND: A performance bond will be required by the successful bidder. Bid deposit can be used to go toward this bond. The amount will be the value of the estimated timber tax (10% of the winning bid). A construction bond of \$5000 will be also required. Both bonds will be returned upon satisfactory execution of the Timber Sale Contract. The former can be used towards the defrayment of the Timber Tax.

SEALED BID DEADLINE: Sealed bids are due by January 24th, 2024 2pm.

**BID OPENING**: Sealed bids will be opened and awarded on February 14<sup>th</sup>, 7pm at Weare Town Office during Conservation Commission meeting or next Board of Selectman meeting if February Conservation meeting is canceled. Bidders are welcome to attend.

BID AWARD: The sale will be awarded to the most responsive & responsible bidder. Award is based on the best overall value to the Town. Criteria and evaluation considered when determining the best overall value are: Price, Quality, Warranty, Service, Profession Training, Availability, Past Performance. Town Forest Harvesting, Records and References. However, the Town reserves the right to reject any or all bids.

**REJECTED BIDS:** Unsuccessful bids/deposits will be returned via mail on the next business after the bid opening day.

**PAYMENT:** Stumpage shall be paid on the basis of the price/volume per unit in four equal payments in advance of the volume to be harvested. The final payment will be determined from mill scale.

**TIMBERSALE CONTRACT:** Successful bidder will become the purchaser of timber and required to agree to terms of the timbersale contract supplied by the Town. Copy available at the showing.

**TRUCKING:** Each truck load of wood products removed from job landing must have a corresponding "trip ticket" assigned to it. These tickets are to be filled out completely as each load leaves the job site. A weekly record of all trip tickets must be received weekly by the Town Forester.

## FURTHER REQUIREMENTS:

- -Purchaser must file all necessary harvest paperwork (i.e. Intent to Cut, DES wetland permit, drive way permits, etc.)
- -Bid award will consider strongly Bidders ability to complete harvest before April 2024 for maximum seed germination potential.
- -Purchaser is responsible to make whole-tree harvest upgrades/improvements to landing and access. All work to meet and exceed NH BMP's for Forestry standards (2005 edition).

Road upgrade of 475' to include a minimum of:

- Complete of road access upgrade to include road surface, shoulder and ditching restoration
- Resurface road with 52 yards of 3" minus stone (475'x12'x.25')/27
- armor town road egress with material satisfactory to road agent Landing construction of .75 acres-as laid out

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- bury all stumps at location shown on site
- -Purchaser is responsible to complete trail improvements for the purpose of low-impact recreational use post timber operation.
  - Skid trail restoration of 4,987'
  - New recreation trail link of 1,047'

All improvements MUST be a line-item value and deducted from stumpage payment. If no cost is to be deducted from Town payment, written provision of value (cost) planned to be completed by bidder on bid sheet is necessary.

